

IT WILL HAPPEN IN ORDER

1 Cor 15:20-28

If no bodily resurrection of dead:

1. Christ dead and in grave
2. Our message is wrong.
3. No hope for future.

1 Corinthians 15:20 *But now is Christ risen ...* His resurrection is permanent and happened in the past.

Firstfruits: This offering supposed to sanctify/consecrate the rest of harvest to God. Expression of gratitude and faith to God

1 Corinthians 15:21 Death came in to world because of Adam's sin.

Resurrection came because of one man, Christ.

Wiersbe: *Paul saw in Adam a type of Jesus Christ by the way of contrast (Rom 5:12-21). The first Adam was made from the earth, but the Last Adam (Christ-1 Cor 15: 45-47) came from Heaven. The first Adam disobeyed God and brought sin and death into the world, but the Last Adam obeyed the Father and brought righteousness and life.*

1 Corinthians 15:22 *All die:* All men positionally are in Adam and therefore die physically. Gromaki

- ♦ Adam was originator, source, progenitor of everyone who dies.
- ♦ Jesus Christ was originator, source, progenitor of everyone who has eternal life.
- ♦ Every one identified with Adam will suffer death (eternal separation from God in Hell)
- ♦ Every one identified with Christ will inherit eternal life

Resurrection comes in stages

1 Corinthians 15:23 *...in his own order:* in his own rank and turn.

Two main resurrections:

1. First resurrection: Starts with Christ and ends with resurrection of all saints.
2. Second resurrection: The dead who are unsaved are raised to suffer the second death. Jn 5:28-29: Resurrection of damnation. Rev 20: 5, 11-15

First resurrection: saved raised to eternal life.

Second resurrection: unsaved be raised to eternal death—second death.

Rev 21:8; 2:11

First resurrection in different stages:

1. Saints at Christ's resurrection. Matthew 27:52-53
2. Resurrection of church. 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

3. Resurrection of Tribulation saints. Rev 20:4
4. Resurrection of the OT saints Daniel 12:2
5. Millennial Kingdom saints--raised the moment they die.
 Mac: *It would make death for the believer during the Kingdom nothing more than an instant transformation into his eternal body and spirit*

Second Resurrection: John 5:28 -29

1 Corinthians 15:24 *Then cometh the end:* after this...2nd coming, millennium.

Timeline:

Rapture

Seven yrs tribulation

Battle of Armageddon

Christ comes with saints to rule for thousand years

Satan in abyss during this time...at end let out (Rev 20).

Christ casts him once and for all into lake of fire and brimstone Rev 20:10.

End of the Millennium...

Great White Throne Judgment Revelation 20:11-15

1 Corinthians 15:24 *End:* to be completed, consummated, fulfilled, the final culmination of the ages...grand finale. *delivered up the kingdom to God*, turn over the kingdom (rule and authority) to God the Father. **Authority:** those who wield influence, show force and privilege **Power:** those with great strength, miraculous power and might!!!

1 Corinthians 15:25 ... *till he hath put all enemies under his feet.*

Custom of kings...subjects bow ... make them lower than feet of kings.

Foot on neck of conquered ruler a symbol of total subjection. Psa 8:6; 110:1; 119:118

1 Corinthians 15:26 *Destroyed:* subdued, abolished, rendered ineffective and inoperative. Hebrews 2:14 Satan's purpose to condemn to Hell and accuse brethren.

1 Corinthians 15:27 Father put all things under Jesus' feet. One exception-Christ doesn't rule over Father

1 Corinthians 15:28 His final work is completed as a servant.

Now, He returns back to His position as in perfect harmony with the trinity.

SO WHAT?

2 resurrections: Which resurrection will you participate in?

First: saved, raised to eternal life

Second: unsaved, raised to eternal death

Not born again: die twice

Born again: die once